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**In re Application of:**

James Longbottom et al

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 30, 2004**

In response to the Office Action dated March 30, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response extended to expire on July 30, 2004, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0042/WBP, the fee of \$388.00 for the excess claims presented herein, and any other fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper. **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper. **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 18 of this paper and include both an attached replacement set of drawings and annotated sheets showing changes. **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 19 of this paper.